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TO: Medicaid Providers

SUBJECT: Physicians' Fee Schedule Update

Effective with dates of service on or after September 1, 2006, the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (SCDHHS) will update the Medicaid fee schedule for physicians. Reimbursement for Evaluation and Management codes and most other procedure codes will be at 85 percent of the 2006 Medicare Fee Schedule. Nurse Practitioners will continue to receive reimbursement at 80 percent of the physician's rate. SCDHHS will continue to apply the site of service differential pricing methodology utilized by Medicare.

The complete September 1, 2006, fee schedule, including the site of service rates, can be found at www.scdhhs.gov. The fee schedule is located under the heading "Providers."

If you have any questions regarding this bulletin, please contact your Program Manager at (803) 898-2660. Thank you for your continued support and participation in the South Carolina Medicaid Program.

/s/

Robert M. Kerr Director

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